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**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JOINT HEARING OF EL PASO CITY COUNCIL
AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 3RD FLOOR
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2004
9:00 A.M.**

The City Council and Commissioners Court met at the above place and date at approximately 9:20 a.m. Mayor Joe Wardy present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Susan Austin, Robert A. Cushing, Jr., Jose Alexandro Lozano, John F. Cook, Vivian Rojas and Anthony W. Cobos. Absent City Council Members: Daniel S. Power. Late arrival: Paul J. Escobar.

Judge Dolores Briones present and presiding and the following El Paso County Commissioners were present: Charles L. Scruggs, Betti Flores, Miguel A. Teran and Daniel R. Haggerty.

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AGENDA

1. Open Meeting
2. Joint budget hearing between El Paso City Council and the El Paso County Commissioners Court to review the proposed FY 04/05 budget for the El Paso City/County Health and Environmental District.
3. Discuss and take appropriate action on the FY 04/05 budget for the El Paso City/County Health and Environmental District.
4. Adjourn

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Dr. Jorge Magaña, Director of the El Paso City-County Health and Environmental District, gave a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's Office) and answered questions from and responded to comments made by the Council Members and County Commissioners.

Mr. Mark Everett, Public Health Administrator, provided additional information and answered questions from and responded to comments made by the Council Members and County Commissioners.

Judge Dolores Briones and County Commissioners asked questions and/or made comments.

Mr. Edward A. Dion, CPA/County Auditor commented.

Ms. Lee Shapleigh, General Counsel, County Attorney's office, provided legal advice.

Mayor Joe Wardy and City Representatives asked questions and/or made comments.

Mr. Jim Martinez, Chief Administrative Officer, commented.

Mr. David Almonte, Director of OMB, responded to comments and/or answered questions.

Mr. Bill Chapman, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Financial and Administrative Services, responded to comments and/or answered questions.

Ms. Lisa A. Elizondo, City Attorney, provided legal advice.

The following members of the public spoke:

1. Ms. Patricia Palafox; and
2. Mr. Wally Hargrove

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Motion made by Representative Cook, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to restore the \$30,000 in funding to the Spay-Neuter Voucher Program that had been eliminated in the proposed budget.

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Motion made by Commissioner Teran, seconded by Commissioner Scruggs to postpone any action regarding the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2005-2005 as submitted by the El Paso City-County Health District, until such time as the County receives answers from the Health District to questions regarding the budget.

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Motion made by Representative Cushing, seconded by Representative Cook and unanimously carried to adjourn this meeting at 11:33 a.m.

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

for 
Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk